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Hellas must win — and can

SAYS ALAN CRISP

West Adelaide Hellas anxious to avenge their narrow premiership loss to Juventus, must defeat Victoria in Saturday's Federation Cup semi-final to have another crack at their arch rivals.

Assessed purely on league form and results Hellas look certain to win their way through to the final.

Hellas defeated Victoria 2-0 in the opening match of the season and followed with a crushing 6-0 win in the second round.

Victoria, however, are usually a tougher proposition in cup games.

It should not be forgotten that they qualified for the final of the Federation Cup last year.

Victoria's direct, no-nonsense style gained them a shock 4-2 win over Hellas in this year's Ampol Cup.

Peter McKenzie ran riot in that memorable match and he was well supported by Les Matiscak and Roy Felton.

McKenzie, Matiscak, Klaus, Stahl, and Jimmy Wright, loom as potential danger men in today's game.

Felton and Gerhardt Lange both played in attack when Victoria eliminated Hellas from the night series.

They will be wing halves today with former full back Jergen Gerken playing on the left wing.

Nine of the eleven players who figured in the surprise win will strip again for Victoria.



● Jimmy Mill (Juventus), left, clashes with Polonia winger Marian Kolecki in last week's semi-final.

Hellas, on the other hand, will have only six of their Ampol Cup team for this semi-final.

Victoria's league form suggests that their summer effort was just a flash in the pan.

Hellas have since increased their playing strength by the acquisition of Tony Batchelor, John Irwin, Con Solopotas and the now injured Sam Service.

It is significant also that Hellas were without their playing coach, Tom Forde when they lost to Victoria.

Former Croatia centre half Tibor Molnar, as Victoria coach, faces an unenviable task trying to devise a plan to topple the talented Hellas side.

Hellas with their pacy, purposeful style working perfectly, should qualify for the final without the need for extra time.

Probable Squads

HELLAS

Tsitsos
Marusic
Kefaloudis
Worthington
Burdett
Forde
Pantellis
Kilihiri
Batchelor
Irwin
De Lyster
Zervas
Peterson
Hogan

VICTORIA

Spreyer,
Millar
Mueller
Haddington
Kieboom
Felton
Wright
Matiscak
McKenzie
Stahl
Gerken
Schmusch
Lange

'KEEPER 'CAUGHT' WEEKLY PRIZE

Polonia and S.A. goalkeeper, Roger Romanowicz was last week's winner of the Rosefield's Smallgoods prize.

He earned the award four minutes before half time when he made a fantastic save to tip a thunderbolt drive from Steve Herczeg over the crossbar.

The 26-year-old custodian was the 22nd winner of the prize this season.

The others were: Giovanni Meneghetti, Paul Bailey, Werner Eichmann, Alec Byrne, Rab Jones, Gene Mielnik (twice), Manuel Cruz, Roy Burdett, Billy Birch, Roy Parsons, John Lovell, Ted De Lyster, Peter West, Jim Wright, Bill Ferguson, Nick Pantellis, Nick Nechvoglod, Peter McKenzie, John Baines and John Cattenach.

TABLES

THIRD DIVISION FIRSTS

| | W | D | L | F | A | P | | |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|
| Para Hills | - | - | 17 | 1 | 2 | 76 | 20 | 35 |
| Don United | - | - | 14 | 3 | 4 | 75 | 18 | 31 |
| Salisbury United | 13 | 5 | 2 | 69 | 20 | 31 | | |
| Adel University | - | 13 | 5 | 3 | 55 | 35 | 31 | |
| RAAF/RAF Edin. | 11 | 4 | 6 | 66 | 48 | 26 | | |
| W.R.E. | - | - | 10 | 5 | 6 | 58 | 35 | 25 |
| Modbury | - | - | 8 | 5 | 8 | 34 | 34 | 21 |
| Mitcham | - | - | 6 | 3 | 12 | 40 | 55 | 15 |
| Taperoo United | - | 5 | 2 | 14 | 42 | 66 | 12 | |
| Flinders Uni. | - | 6 | - | 15 | 36 | 84 | 12 | |
| West Torrens | - | 1 | - | 20 | 29 | 136 | 2 | |

RESERVES

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|------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Adel. University | - | 14 | 4 | 3 | 46 | 17 | 32 |
| Para Hills | - | - | 15 | 1 | 4 | 74 | 25 |
| Salisbury United | 14 | 3 | 3 | 56 | 22 | 31 | |
| W.R.E. | - | - | 12 | 5 | 4 | 50 | 27 |
| Mitcham | - | - | 12 | 3 | 6 | 50 | 29 |
| Undergraduates | - | 11 | 4 | 6 | 66 | 32 | 25 |
| Modbury | - | - | 6 | 6 | 9 | 37 | 49 |
| RAAF/RAF Edin. | 6 | 5 | 10 | 51 | 42 | 17 | |
| Don United | - | - | 6 | 3 | 12 | 29 | 55 |
| W.R.E. C | - | - | 5 | 1 | 15 | 23 | 92 |
| West Torrens | - | 2 | 3 | 16 | 26 | 67 | 7 |
| Taperoo United | - | 1 | 4 | 16 | 17 | 68 | 6 |

JUNIORS

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|---------------------|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Elizabeth Grove | - | 11 | 2 | 3 | 49 | 18 | 24 |
| Elizabeth Vale | - | 11 | 1 | 4 | 33 | 18 | 23 |
| Elizabeth City B 11 | - | 4 | 3 | 37 | 21 | 22 | |
| Polonia Ottoway | 9 | 3 | 3 | 31 | 24 | 21 | |
| Para Hills | - | - | 9 | 1 | 4 | 36 | 21 |
| Modbury | - | - | 4 | 3 | 6 | 15 | 28 |
| Elizabeth South | - | 3 | 2 | 10 | 14 | 36 | 8 |
| Elizabeth North | - | 2 | 2 | 11 | 14 | 48 | 6 |
| Salisbury United | - | - | 15 | - | 15 | - | - |

INTERSTATE

APIA 2, SOUTH SYDNEY CROATIA 0
SCORERS — Apia: Kerklaan, Giacometti.

ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST 3, PAN HELLENIC 1.

SCORERS — St. George Budapest: McColgan, Warren, Fernandez. Pan Hellenic: Blitz.

HELLAS 2, FERNTEE GULLY 0.
SCORER — Hellas: Nestorides 2.

HAKOAH 3, WILHELMINA 2.
SCORERS — Hakoah: Anderson, Armstrong, Monan. Wilhelmina: Keuken, Bradley.

ALEXANDER 1, JUVENTUS 0.
SCORER — Alexander: Fokianos.

SUNSHINE CITY 1, MELBOURNE 0.
SCORER — Sunshine City: Seenan.

POLONIA 7, ST. ALBANS 0.
SCORERS — Polonia: Pryzybylski 2, Swoboda 2, Gadecki 2, Kowalec.

LIONS 2, JUST 1.
SCORERS — Lions: Aldis, Hillhouse, JUST, Micic.

GEORGE CROSS 2, drew with SLAVIA 2.

SCORERS — George Cross: Campbell, Sanchez, Salvia; Bell, Reid.

CROATIA 4, MAKEDONIA 0.
SCORERS — Croatia: Mackay 2, Vojtek, McArthur.

POINTS TABLE

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| Vojtek, McArthur. | | | | | |
| POINTS TABLE | | | | | |
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| Apia - - - - - | 2 | - | 4 | - | 4 |
| St. George Budapest | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Croatia - - - - - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Pan Hellenic - - - - - | 2 | 1 | 4 | - | 4 |

RESULTS

Results of games played on Sunday, September 10.

Rowley Cup, Seniors: Para Hills 2, W.R.E. 1 (A.E.T.); Adelaide University 3, R.A.A.F./R.A.F. Edinburgh 1.

Reserves: Para Hills 1, W.R.E. 0; R.A.A.F./R.A.F. Edinburgh 5, Adelaide University 3; Don United 4, Undergraduates 1.

West "screamer" put Juventus in final

● Ability to last the pace, and probably the best long-distance shot of the season from Peter West, took Juventus through to the final of the Federation Cup at Hindmarsh Stadium last week.

After a fantastic opening burst, Cup holders, Polonia, slowly ground to a halt to lose 2-1.

Whether the pace they cracked on for the first half and most of the second proved too much, or whether knocks to key players like Eddie Typek, Henry Manka, and Ritchie Hamence upset their play is hard to say.

But they ran out of steam before Juventus, and if it had not been for goalkeeper Roger Romanowicz, and some shocking shooting by Manuel da Cruz, defeat might have been greater.

As it was it took a 35-yard drive from Peter West to take Juventus into the final.

His shot was so fast and hard that the ball was never sighted once it left his foot.

Romanowicz had no chance, and cannot be blamed for not moving in an attempt to save.

Like the rest of us, I'm sure he never saw the ball after West hit it until it was stopped in its flight by the roof of the netting in his goal.

In favour of Polonia it must be said that the goal from Steve Herczeg in the first half, after Polonia were leading 1-0 through Manka, was in the "lucky" class.

From the left wing it looked more like an intended pass, but as it bounced and came off the firm ground, it struck Romanowicz and went in.

Even allowing for this, West's effort was such a perfect goal, and Juventus were so much on top in the closing stages, that one cannot help feeling the better team won.

Although losing the cup, Polonia still have a chance to gain revenge.

They will play Juventus again in one of the local play-offs to select two teams to represent South Australia in the national Australia Cup competition.

And we can look for another cracking game with Polonia having the advantage of a rest.

They should return to the fray refreshed, while Juventus will have played in a rugged Federation Cup final against Hellas or Victoria, depending on which team wins Saturday's semi-final.

Tom McKain.

● PETER WOODS, Croatia coach who played as a full time professional in England with Fulham, Bedford, and Luton, looks at the South Australian soccer scene.

WHAT ARE WE DOING?

and attitude of some of our referees. Let me say that in my opinion the standard leaves a lot to be desired.

I know that after what I have just written there will be some raised eyebrows at official level, but I again say it in the knowledge that the referees' task is not an easy one.

Having spoken, and indeed being on good terms (at the moment) with all the referees, I believe some of them have a good knowledge of the game but lack the superb professional touch of top European referees.

If we were to encourage a couple of these top men to emigrate to South Australia to help and encourage our local referees, the standard of refereeing and future refereeing would improve by leaps and bounds.

In summing up, I have three main points for improving our standards.

● Getting into the schools and coaching our juniors.

● Keeping our administrators at club and federation level on the ball and pushing soccer on all mediums.

● Improving our refereeing.

To improve the standard of soccer in South Australia, it is necessary to coach and develop young players.

"Let us get into the schools, we will set up coaching centres, we will show them top teams and top coaches on film."

These are a few of the things people who are interested in the development of soccer in South Australia are saying. But I ask what are we really doing?

My reply is "nothing."

Consider for a moment, these names, Alec Hastings, John King, Edmund Kretz, Alec Byrne, Tom Forde, all first class and ex-first class players with many international caps between them.

I say more use at all levels of the game must be found for these men.

When Manchester United were here, Matt Busby said that the solution for our soccer lay in developing our own young players and I believe this to be the right way, using the top men I have mentioned and, if necessary, employing some of them on a full time basis.

On the administrative side of the game, and I say this knowing the many thankless hours our officials put in, that they should be pushing harder for more TV and press coverage.

Without a doubt, the Aussie TV and press are holding the game back. How many people shudder at a Saturday evening listening for the results? If they are lucky, the results come very briefly in "other sports" after the Footy Seconds results.

My last point is a really delicate one, but I feel I cannot let this opportunity go by without mentioning the standard

DATES — COLTS' SEMI-FINALS AND FINALS

Sunday, September 10, Croydon Park — Colts Cup Quarter Finals — 2 p.m., Birkalla v. Polonia White; 3.15 p.m., Hellas v. Campbelltown.

A decision must be reached in each of these games. If after extra time of two periods of 5 minutes each way the scores are still equal the games will be decided on penalty kicks. Each side will take five kicks, each by a different player, if the score is then still equal each side will take kicks alternately until one side misses.

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Saturday, September 16, Hindmarsh — Colts Cup Semi-Finals: 9.30 a.m., Hellas or Campbelltown v. Seaciff-Austria; 10.40 a.m., Birkalla or Polonia White v. Elizabeth West.

Colts Premiership — First Round: 10.30 a.m., Elizabeth A v. Budapest at Ramsey Park, Elizabeth.

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Saturday, September 23 — Olympic Sports Field: Colts Premiership Semi-Finals: 9.30 a.m., Birkalla v. Budapest or Elizabeth A; 10.40 a.m., Polonia White v. Elizabeth West.

Saturday, September 30 — Olympic Sports Field: 1.15 p.m., Colts Cup Final. Note: This game must be decided in the same way as for the games on September 10.

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● **HELLAS** — Standing: Mr. H. Foudas, Marusic, Mr. A. Pinopolous, Burdett, Hogan, Service, Tsitsos, Kefaloudis, Kilihi, trainer Welles. Second row: Zervas, Pantelis, Peterson, Solopotiis, De Lyster, Irwin. Front: Batchelor, coach Forde, Worthington.



● Tom McKain looks at the two clubs, Hellas and Victoria, who meet at Olympic Sports Field on Saturday to decide who will play Juventus in the final of the Federation Cup.

CONTRAST IN PLAY AND STRUCTURE...

Like last week's semi-finalists Hellas and Victoria have done much to kick soccer along in our State.

While Hellas have helped boost attendance figures with their huge following of fanatical supporters, Victoria have done the same in a minor way with their ability to bring off the unexpected.

Although formed by the German migrant community, their following is nowhere near as huge as Hellas, but they have still proved a drawing power with their fighting spirit, and are recognised as one of the hardest teams to beat in the league or Cup competitions.

They can also boast a West End Medal winner in Peter McKenzie, the second player to win the award.

Their style of play has always been less "classy" than other leading teams, but their more direct methods when pitted against ball-playing sides has invariably produced a match worth seeing.

The Hellas history has been one of storms and calms.

Under the name of Olympic, the original club fought its way up from Second Division, was under a cloud for a season following demonstrations by spectators, then emerged as Hellas and a force to be reckoned with.

Perhaps the most significant move the club made was to sign Irish Internationalist Tom Forde as player-coach.

He led them to the league premiership last season and only one point lost them the title to Juventus this year.

Despite the origins of both clubs, Greek and German, their teams have contained a mixture of nationalities.

With the prefix West Adelaide before their name, Hellas are preparing for the day when they will merge into the district scene, and already they have a large section of supporters who are not Greek, or of Greek origin.

Victoria, who for many seasons did

not have what they could call a permanent "home" have taken over Blair Athol from Enfield City following the merger between Enfield and Elizabeth.

They have now embarked on a programme to enlist supporters in their district.

Both clubs are a complete contrast — Hellas, the "giant" with ready-made support and "big" names in their team which plays to an ever-changing pattern, depending on the opposition.

Victoria, a smaller club, with few "name" players who take a more direct approach to goal-getting and fight every inch of the way.

Soccer needs them both.

● **ZAC DRAPAC** looks at the club's records:—

HELLAS — Formed in 1946 as Hellenic Youth Club, playing in Second Division.

Changed name to Olympic in 1948. Relegated to Third Division in 1953, and suspended in 1957-8.

In 1959 Metropolitan League champions (Third Division) and promoted to Second Division.

Suspended again in September 1960, sine die. Readmitted to the State League Second Division as Hellas in 1962 and promoted to the First Division in 1964 when they won both the Ampol and Federation Cups and finished fifth on the ladder.

In 1965 finished fourth, signed Tom Forde as captain-coach and won the 1966 league title.

In 1967 Hellas lost several first team members, and despite many difficulties finished runners up to Juventus by one point after leading practically from the beginning of the season.

In two seasons lost only two league games. Hellas Reserves were 1966 champions and the juniors are heading for their third successive cup.

VICTORIA — Founded in 1955, and sponsored by the German Club of South Australia. Admitted to the Third Division in 1956. Third Division champions scoring 133 goals and conceding only 12. Won the Third Division Cup.

Promoted to Second Division. Finished top in 1957 and won the Second Division Cup.

Promoted to First Division in 1958 and finished seventh on the ladder. In 1959 they were seventh again, and in 1960 ninth (from 12 clubs).

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● **VICTORIA** — Top Row: Gerken, Matiseak, Spryer, Mueller, Stahl, Lange. Bottom: Haddington, McKenzie, Kieboom, Wright, Felton, Millar.

★ Editorial Comment

WE MUST LEARN TO SHOUT OUT!

When the last Australian national team was being selected to take on the tourists from Scotland, interest was high among the majority of fans as they speculated on the number of players who would represent this State.

Photographs and details of fitness tests for our candidates were published in the leading newspapers.

There was a general air of national spirit as migrants and Australians watched for the final squad.

We all know what happened.

Only Tommy McCall of Juventus won a squad berth, and then even he did not get a game.

The reaction to this slight on South Australia is now being felt as very little interest is being taken in the coming Asian tour of the national team.

Even players are hardly giving it a thought.

No one, it seems, gives South Australia any hope of being represented.

However, despite how we may feel about the selection system I think it would be wrong to accept the position and not try to do something about it.

Our top officials must make us heard.

I would go so far as to suggest that the men in Sydney responsible for organising the tour be brought to Adelaide, even at our expense, to see our players in action before the final squad is named.

While many of us may criticise our local administrators, I think it has

been proved that at least they maintain a stable soccer set-up in this State.

At all times, in local affairs, we want to remain calm and rational.

But in the case of the selection system being used at the moment for national teams they would be forgiven if they screamed their heads off at a national level.

It would appear the only way to have a say in running the game when it comes to all States.

The recent experience of our Youth Squad in Sydney at the national youth championships was an excellent example of what can happen if nothing is said in a very loud voice.

South Australia was informed that the new goalkeeper rule had to be introduced immediately.

But when our Youth Squad arrived in Sydney, it had not been introduced there.

On asking for clarification from Australian Federation secretary Mr. Ian McAndrew, the matter was "glossed over."

We were even informed that no decision had been reached on the new rule as far as Australia Cup competition was concerned.

By rights I am of the opinion that we could claim the Youth Championship on the grounds that we used the new rule and the opposition did not.

I do not suggest that our officials take such drastic action as Mr. Julius Re of Western Australia who tried to take his State out of the Federation.

But it is time we shouted loud and long.

We are also part of the Australian soccer scene, and surely there must be at least two players in South Australia who could make the 19 proposed for the Asian tour. **Tom McKain.**

Touchline Topics

WITH ALAN CRISP

Adelaide's "interstate" soccer drought will end when Victoria's third team and the top Western Australian side visit S.A. to play Australia Cup games in October.

Adelaide has not seen a senior side from another State since Victoria played S.A. on March 11.

Seven months is too long a gap without the glamour of interstate competition, either on a club or State level.

All States would improve their chances against overseas teams if the interstate championship series was re-introduced.

Consideration should be given to playing this series or alternatively the Australia Cup competition in the middle of the winter league season.

The national Australia Cup should not have to play second fiddle to the various state cup competitions.

Adelaide teams will enter the Australia Cup "major" round on Saturday, October 7 and Thursday, October 12.

S.A.'s number two will play Victoria's number three in the first fixture and S.A.'s number one will oppose W.A.'s top team in the night game.

The local Australia Cup elimination matches will be played on Saturday, September 30 to decide our two representatives.

Juventus play Polonia at Hindmarsh and W.A. Hellas meet Croatia at the Olympic Sports Field.

A report in the Melbourne "Soccer News" says that Joe Venglos may not be able to accept the position of Australia's coach for the Asian tour because of a passport problem.

Venglos came to Sydney at the end of last year on a Czechoslovakian passport.

ASF officials fear that the holder of a passport from a Communist country may not be allowed entry to South Vietnam for a fortnight.

An English international who won a footballer of the year award in 1966, recently made an unheralded Australian debut.

Nineteen-year-old Tommy Veart played his first match in Australia last Sunday week for Whyalla Croatia.

He is a schoolboy international, having represented England against Scotland at Wembley in 1963.

An inside right, he was named footballer of the year in the 35-team North East District League last season.

Not all of Whyalla's players are former schoolboy internationals, but the

CONTRAST IN PLAY AND STRUCTURE

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In 1961 they won the Advertiser Cup. Fifth in 1963 and ninth in 1964, when they were relegated with Polonia.

In 1965 Runners-up to Polonia in the Second Division and promoted.

1966 most successful year on record (in the First Division). Finished third on the ladder, and runners-up in Federation Cup.

After a bad start in 1967 they finished strongly to take sixth position. Progressive well administered club, they will "turn district" next year and will be known as Enfield.

code is making rapid progress, particularly in the junior ranks.

Every Sunday morning boys of all ages and from all countries take part in matches at most Whyalla soccer fields.

Former Orange-Sturt official, Mr. John Aiers, came, saw and conquered S.A. with his Toonagable Under 15 soccer team.

The most significant part of the N.S.W. side's tour was their visit to the Upper Murray area.

John Aiers, contacted former Adelaide referee, Mr. Tom Barroch to arrange games in the previously "undiscovered" soccer area.

According to Mr. Bill Singlehurst, who accompanied the N.S.W. party, the tour was a resounding success.

Coach Aiers, youthful team manager, Bruce Shepherd, and captain, Bob Parkhouse, made an excellent impression and passed on their wide soccer knowledge to the eager youngsters of the Murray districts.

Eugene Nowak will be presented with the 1967 West End Medal prior to the Federation Cup Final on September 23.

Orange-Sturt and Cumberland will play in the Barners Spring Cup Carnival during the Labor Day Holiday week-end.

CLUB NOTES**POLONIA**

Our dressing room resembled a casualty ward after last Saturday's cup semi-final. John Marciniak and Marian Kolecki were the only players not to report injuries.

Club secretary, Alex Kosmina, described the match as the roughest he had witnessed this season.

Roger Romanowicz must have improved his chances for selection in the Australian team with another fine display of goalkeeping.

Lucas Kouzapa, who played another good game against Juventus, cannot understand why newspaper writers refer to him as "Nick".

Vice-captain Henry Manka appears to reserve his goalscoring form for cup games. Having failed to score a single goal in the league matches, Henry scored in each of the three cup games for a total of four goals.

With the A team out of the cup, club followers are asked to give their support to the colts, junior and reserve teams in their remaining cup fixtures.

A cabaret will be held on Saturday, September 23 in the Port Adelaide Footballers' Club, Alberton while the next club ball will be on Friday, October 6 in the Stirling Hall, Wayville.

Tickets for both of these functions can be obtained from Mr. S. Perczak and members of the club committee. Reserve your tables early. **H. K.**

OBITUARY

Mr. Sam Delves, M.B.E., died this week. For many years an official in Northern N.S.W. and at Australian level. His experience will be sadly missed.

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